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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).	Application Number	09/777,856
	Filing Date	February 7, 2001
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	Group Art Unit	1636
	Attorney Docket Number	01/21605

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.
 NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**
 - a. ☐ Previously submitted
 - i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
 (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
 - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - b. ☒ Enclosed
 - i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
 - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. ☒ Other Three Month Extension fee
 - v. ☐ Other
2. **Miscellaneous**
 - a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
 - b. ☐ Other _____
3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

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Request for Continued Examination (RCE)			1	\$ 395		\$ 790
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Total Claims	23 - 20 =	3	3 x \$ 25	\$ 75	x \$ 50	\$
Independent Claims*	4 - 3 =	1	1 x \$ 100	\$ 100	x \$ 200	\$
			TOTAL	\$570	TOTAL	\$

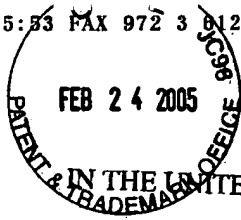
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In re Application of:

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For: NUCLEIC ACID CONSTRUCT
SYSTEM AND METHOD
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FOR IDENTIFYING PROTEIN-
PROTEIN INTERACTIONS

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AMENDMENT FILED WITH RCE

Sir:

This is in response to the United States Patent and Trademark Final Office Action mailed August 24, 2004, and in response to the Advisory Action dated February 11, 2005, which filing of an RCE is being made on or before February 24, 2005, for which a three month extension fee is due, one month already having been paid on December 22, 2004 and is being submitted herewith. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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